

## OPINION 1872

### ***Siboma atraria* Girard, 1856 (currently *Gila atraria*; Osteichthyes, Cypriniformes): specific name conserved**

**Keywords.** Nomenclature; taxonomy; Osteichthyes; Cypriniformes; Utah chub; *Gila atraria*; *Tigoma lineata*; United States of America.

#### **Ruling**

- (1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *lineata* Girard, 1856, as published in the binomen *Tigoma lineata*, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy.
- (2) The name *atraria* Girard, 1856, as published in the binomen *Siboma atraria*, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *lineata* Girard, 1856, as published in the binomen *Tigoma lineata* and as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

#### **History of Case 2965**

An application for the conservation of the specific name of *Siboma atraria* Girard, 1856 was received from Dr Carter R. Gilbert (*Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, U.S.A.*) on 27 January 1995. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 52: 324–327 (December 1995). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

It was noted on the voting paper that the application cited publication of Girard's (1856) paper from *Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia*, 8: 165–213. The *Proceedings* were issued sometime between the date of acceptance of Girard's paper (30 September 1856) and 27 December 1856. The first publication of Girard's paper, however, was in September 1856 as a separate (as pointed out by Dr Reeve M. Bailey in a comment on Case 2808 published in BZN 51: 262–263, September 1994). In this the paper has a slightly altered title (the words 'of America' are lacking) and different pagination (pp. 1–54), and has a list of species and an index (pp. 51–54) which are not found in the publication as it appeared in vol. 8 of the *Proceedings*.

#### **Decision of the Commission**

On 1 December 1996 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 52: 325. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 1997 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 21: Bock, Brothers, Cocks, Dupuis, Eschmeyer, Heppell, Kabata, Kerzhner, Kraus, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Mawatari, Nielsen, Nye, Papp, Patterson, Savage, Schuster, Song, Stys

Negative votes — 1: Bouchet.

No votes were received from Cogger, Lehtinen and Minelli.

Ride was on leave of absence.

Bouchet commented: 'I approve the intention of the application to conserve the current usage of the specific name of *Gila atraria*. This could have been done simply

by setting aside the first reviser action of Evermann & Rutter (1895) (para. 5 of the application) and placing *Siboma atraria* on the Official List. I am opposed to placing on the Official Index *Tigoma lineata*, which is unambiguously defined by its type material'.

### Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

*atraria*, *Siboma*, Girard, 1856, *Researches upon the cyprinoid fishes inhabiting the freshwaters of the United States west of the Mississippi Valley, from specimens in the museum of the Smithsonian Institution*, p. 44. (First issued as a separate in September 1856; published in the *Proceedings of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia*, **8**: 208 between 30 September and 27 December 1856).

*lineata*, *Tigoma*, Girard, 1856, *Researches upon the cyprinoid fishes inhabiting the freshwaters of the United States west of the Mississippi Valley, from specimens in the museum of the Smithsonian Institution*, p. 42. (First issued as a separate in September 1856; published in the *Proceedings of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia*, **8**: 206 between 30 September and 27 December 1856).